



Partnerships & Public Involvement in Wind Energy Development

Medicine Bow Conservation District

The background image shows a wide, open landscape under a clear blue sky. In the foreground and middle ground, there is a field of green and brown grass. Several dark-colored cows are scattered across the field, some standing and some grazing. Above the field, five birds, likely prairie falcons, are captured in various stages of flight. Two are higher in the sky, while three are closer to the horizon, their wings spread wide. The overall scene conveys a sense of natural beauty and wildlife conservation.

**Helping Manage
Natural Resources**

OUR MISSION is to provide the citizens of the District with information and technical assistance to contribute to natural resource conservation as well as to improve the quality of life for all our residents



Gathering Comments/Information





Energy Development

General Stakeholder Meeting

- *Landowners**
- *Developers**
- *Wildlife Specialists**
- *Special Interests Groups**
- *Municipal Leaders**
- *Governors Office**
- *Elected Officials**
- *BLM**
- *Office of State Lands**



Questions/Issues Identified (33 General Topics)

Wildlife Species and Habitat (T&E Species)

Private property rights

What is wind worth

Impacts to multiple use

County Roads, Highways, Cities, EMS, Fire

Viewsheds/Viewscapes

Air and Water quality

Regulations on wind turbines

What is an appropriate site for a wind farm



Developing Partnerships

***Landowners**

***Wyoming Game and Fish & USFWS**

***The Nature Conservancy**

***Governors Office**

***Developers**

***Special Interest Groups**

***BLM**

***Office of State Lands**

***University of Wyoming**



A photograph of a wind farm with several white wind turbines on a rolling green hill under a clear blue sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

Steering Committees

Tasks Forces

**Technical Advisory
Committee**

Getting into the Field



Looking at Specific Issues

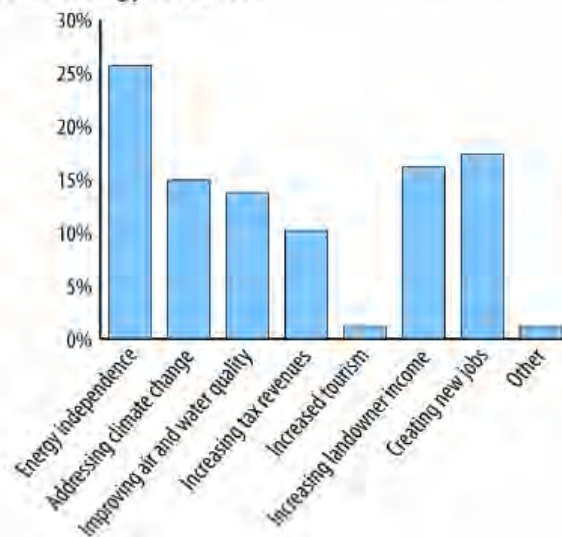


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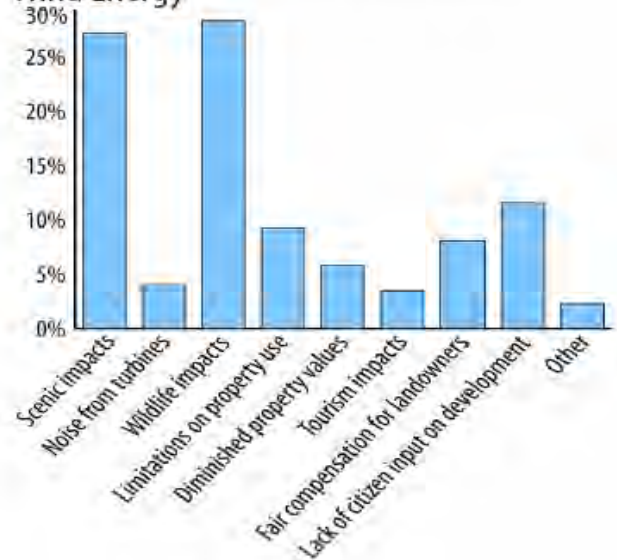
“Wind Energy and Scenic Considerations in Wyoming”- Symposium



Participants Thought the Greatest Benefits of Wind Energy Were . . .



Participants' Greatest Concerns about Wind Energy



**KEYPAD POLLING
Exercise**

Write down 3 words you would use to describe this scene

**“Scenic
Considerations”
WORKSHOP
KEYPAD POLLING**



Photo by Dan Hayward

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Question 13: Image B

Write down 3 words you would use to describe this scene

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Question 14: Image C

Write down 3 words you would use to describe this scene

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Question 15: Image D

Write down 3 words you would use to describe this scene

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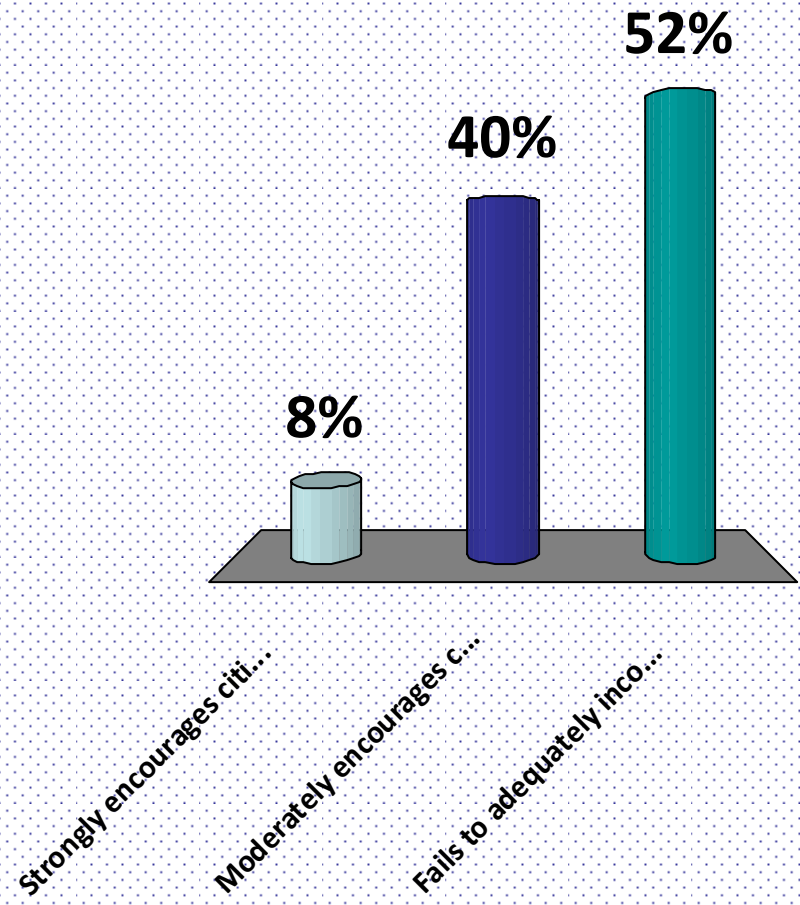
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Question 16: Image E

I think that the process for siting wind energy projects in Wyoming... (choose one)

**"Scenic
Considerations"
WORKSHOP
KEYPAD POLLING**

1. Strongly encourages citizen participation
2. Moderately encourages citizen participation and can be improved
3. Fails to adequately incorporate citizen participation



Developing Resources

WIND ENERGY AND SCENIC CONSIDERATIONS IN WYOMING:

WORKSHOP REPORT

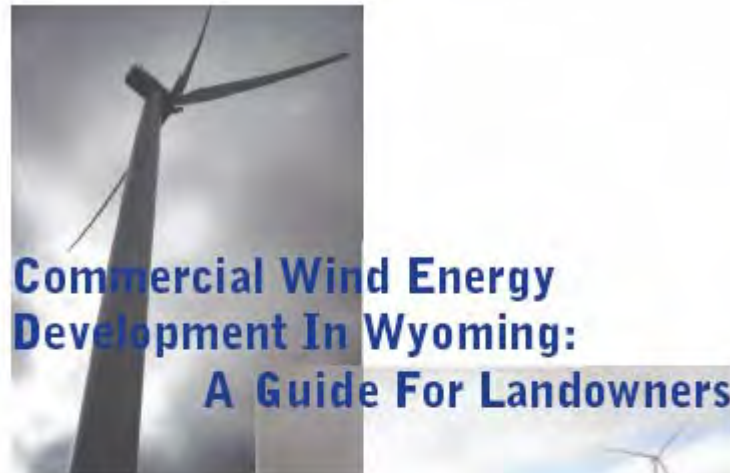


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ANNUAL PLAN of WORK



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Questions?

